

QUARTERLY REPORT
To The
U. S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Portland Harbor Joint Source Control Strategy

PERIOD ENDING March 31, 2006

PROJECT SUMMARY

Management Assistance Project
Cooperative Agreement No. V-000718-03
Portland Harbor Joint Source Control Strategy
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PROJECT REPORTING DATE

January 1 through March 31, 2006

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Task 1: Project Management

- Conducted necessary planning and administration activities to enable successful implementation of the Joint Source Control Strategy (JSCS), including ongoing identification and resolution of issues, and communicating with EPA managers.
- Notified key stakeholders that the Portland Harbor JSCS was finalized in December. Key stakeholders included the Portland Harbor Community Advisory Group, Lower Willamette Group, and all other upland responsible parties in Portland Harbor.
- Met with EPA in January to better define the approach for evaluating and controlling the stormwater pathway, as described in the JSCS. Meetings between DEQ, EPA and the City of Portland to discuss stormwater contributions to in-water contamination, as stormwater well as evaluation and control strategies, have been ongoing since then.

Task 2: Strategy Implementation

- Initiated training for DEQ project managers on implementation of the JSCS to ensure that it is implemented fully and consistently in individual upland source control projects.
- Worked on an individual basis with DEQ project managers to provide technical guidance as needed, oversee JSCS implementation, and identify and resolve issues.
- Worked with DEQ staff, EPA project managers and the Lower Willamette Group to develop an approach to evaluating the relative importance of stormwater to Portland Harbor.

Task 3: Reporting

- Developed the first quarterly Milestone Report (March 2006) as required by the strategy.
- Submitted the Milestone Report to EPA for review.
- Posted the Milestone Report on DEQ's web page (<http://www.deq.state.or.us/nwr/PortlandHarbor/JSCS.htm>).
- Notified key stakeholders that the Milestone Report was available.

Task 4: Strategy Revision

- No revision of the JSCS was needed in this period.

PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED

None

PROJECT ISSUE SUMMARY

The March 2006 Milestone Report identified and described the following issues.

- Moving certain projects through the source control process
- Completing source control at the Gasco site
- DEQ staff resource limitations
- Stormwater investigations and site discovery efforts
- Stormwater evaluation and control
- Developing a long-term stormwater solution

For more information see pages 9 through 11 of the Milestone Report at
<http://www.deq.state.or.us/nwr/PortlandHarbor/JSCS.htm>.

ACTIONS NEXT QUARTER

- Continue comprehensive, consistent implementation of the JSCS.
- Hold meetings with EPA (May 9, 2006) and EPA partners (May 25, 2006) to discuss comments on the first Milestone Report.
- Begin preparation of second Milestone Report (June 2006).

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